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In re Application of:

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Examiner: Joseph R. Kosackl

Serial No.: 10/519,356

Group Art Unit: 1626

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Title: 2-(PHENYL)-2H.PYRAZOLE-3-CARBOXYLIC ACID-N-4-(THIOXO-HETEROCYCLYL)-PHENYL-AMIDE DERIVATIVES AND CORRESPONDING IMINO-HETEROCYCLYL DERIVATIVES AND RELATES COMPOUNDS FOR USE AS INHIBITORS OF THE COAGULATION FACTORS XA AND/OR VIIA FOR TREATING THROMBOSES

ELECTION AND AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: In response to the Office Action of January 17, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this paper.

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search would therefore comprise overlapping subject matter, and would not impose an undue search burden on the Examiner. Applicants thus also traverse the Restriction Requirement on the basis that the Examiner has not established that examining all of the claims in the application would constitute a serious burden.

As for Groups VII-IX, these Groups are directed to processes for making compounds of Formula I, including compounds of Groups I-VI, methods of using same, and means designed for use with said compounds. These constitute part of the same invention as Groups I-VI. See §(e) of Annex B.

In view of the above remarks, withdrawal of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD Effective December 8, 2004									Application or Docket Number 10/519356			
CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I (Column 1) (Column 2)								SMALL ENTITY TYPE		OTHER THAN OR SMALL ENTITY		
U.S. NATIONAL STAGE FEES								RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
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